

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace paragraph on page 9, lines 8-17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

By ~~caulking~~ pressing an inner collar 70, formed on the distal end 25 of the inner hose 20, after inserting the inside hose fixing portion 53 of the inner conduit coupling 50 into the distal end 25 of the inner hose 20, the inside hose fixing portion 53 is fixedly retained by the inner hose 20. Also, formed on an outer circumferential periphery of the inside hose fixing portion 53 in a circumferential direction and axially spaced along an axial direction are a plurality of recessed portions 54. When ~~caulking~~ pressing the inner collar 70 and fixedly retaining the inside hose fixing portion 53 with the inner hose 20, an inner surface of the distal end 25 of the inner hose 20 bites into the interiors of the recessed portions 54. Thus, the inner conduit coupling 50 becomes hard to fall out from the inner hose 20.

Please replace paragraph starting on page 9, line 18, ending on page 10, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

By ~~caulking~~ pressing an outer collar 80, disposed on the distal end 15 of the outer hose 10 after inserting the outside hose fixing portion 63 of the outer conduit coupling 60 into the distal end 15 of the outer hose 10, the outside hose fixing portion 63 is fixedly retained by the outer hose 10. Also, formed on an outer circumferential periphery of the outside hose fixing portion 63 in a circumferential direction and axially spaced along an axial direction are a plurality of recessed portions 64. When ~~caulking~~ pressing the outer collar 80 and fixedly retaining the outside hose fixing portion 63 with the outer hose 11, an inner surface of the distal end 15 of the outer hose 10 bites into the interiors of the recessed portions 64. Thus, the outer conduit coupling 60 becomes hard to fall out from the outer hose 10.

Please replace paragraph on page 10, lines 2-8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The coupling assembly 40 is assembled in a manner described below. The inner hose 20, in which the inner conduit coupling 50 is caulked and retained, is inserted into ~~[[to]]~~ the outer hose 10, in which the outer conduit coupling 60 is caulked and retained, until the retainer segment 52 is positioned in the retainer fixing portion 62. Then, ~~caulking~~ pressing the outer circumferential periphery of the retainer fixing portion 62 allows the retainer segments 52 to be fixedly retained by the retainer fixing portion 62. In such a manner, the coupling assembly 40 of the flexible hose 30 is completed (see FIGS. 3 and 4).

Please replace paragraph starting on page 11, line 26, ending on page 12, line 10 with the following rewritten paragraph:

The coupling assembly 40c is assembled in a manner described below. The outside hose fixing portion 63 of the outer conduit coupling 60 is inserted into ~~[[to]]~~ the interior of the outer hose 10, and the inner hose 20, by which the inner conduit coupling 50 is caulked and fixedly retained, is inserted into ~~[[to]]~~ the outer hose 10 such that the retainer segments 52 are positioned inside the retainer fixing portion 62a. Then, the outer circumferential periphery of the outer collar 80 is ~~caulked~~ pressed and the inner surface of the distal end 15 of the outer hose 10 bites into the recessed portions 64 while the retainer segment 52 is fixedly retained with the interior of the retainer fixing portion 62a. This allows the outer hose 10 and the outer conduit coupling 60, and the outer conduit coupling 60 and the inner conduit coupling 50 ~~are~~ to be mutually coupled to one another, thereby completing assembling work for the coupling assembly 40c (see FIG. 7).